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For: TAXOL PRODUCTION VIA GENERATION OF EXTRACHROMOSOMAL DNAs IN THE FUNGUS PESTALOTIOPSIS	

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the date of entry of the national stage in an international application.

A copy of each listed document is attached. Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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Respectfully submitted,

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